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**DECLARATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION**  
For Use With Both PCT and Non-PCT Applications

As a below named inventor, I declare that: My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled, (1) PROCESS ENABLING FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS, SYSTEM THEREOF AND

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specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked: (2) ☐ was filed on (3) \_\_\_\_\_ \* \_\_\_\_\_ (4) as U. S. Appl. SN or PCT International Appl. No. PCT/CH97/00471 and was amended on (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).  
\* December 17, 1997

I state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56. I claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

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I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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- (1) Insert title of invention.
- (2) Check block for PCT application or U. S. application already on file, and complete items (3), (4) and (5). If PCT national phase entry application, insert international PCT application filing date, Serial No., and date of any Article 19 amendments.
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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
 STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled  
PROCESS ENABLING FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS, SYSTEM THEREOF AND ELECTRONIC  
PURSE described in:

☒ the specification filed herewith  
☐ application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

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Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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